

## PHYSICIANS FOR UNDERSERVED AREAS ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 4997, Physicians for Underserved Areas Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Kansas; Leslie G. Aronovitz, Director, Health Care, GAO; and public witnesses.

## OVERSIGHT—ALTERNATIVE FUELS FOR TRANSPORTATION

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on the Energy and Mineral Requirements for Renewable and Alternative Fuels Used for Transportation and Other Purposes. Testimony was heard from W. David Menzi, Chief, Minerals Information Team, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, MILITARY QUALITY OF LIFE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

## OVERSIGHT—EPA GRANTS MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held an oversight hearing on EPA Grants Management 2003–2006: Progress and Challenge. Testimony was heard from John B. Stephenson, Director, National Resources and Environment, GAO; and the following officials of the EPA: Bill A. Roderick, Acting Inspector General; Luis A. Luna, Assistant Administrator, Office of Administration and Re-

sources Management; and Donald S. Welsh, Administrator, Region III.

## BRIEFING—DENIAL AND DECEPTION

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy met in executive session to receive a briefing on Denial and Deception. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 486)

H.R. 4297, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006. Signed on May 17, 2006. (Public Law 109–222)

H.J. Res. 83, to memorialize and honor the contribution of Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist. Signed on May 18, 2006. (Public Law 109–223)

S. 1382, to require the Secretary of the Interior to accept the conveyance of certain land, to be held in trust for the benefit of the Puyallup Indian tribe. Signed on May 18, 2006. (Public Law 109–224)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the National Institutes of Health, 8:30 a.m., SD–192.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Robert J. Portman, of Ohio, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Robert Irwin Cusick, Jr., of Kentucky, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics, and David L. Norquist, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Time to be announced, S–207, Capitol.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, to mark up the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007, 8 a.m., H–140 Capitol.